Business Meeting for the IPTUK half yearly National Meeting in York: Minutes

Time	10 May 2019
Retiring Chair	Yvonne Hemmings
Chair	Marie Wardle
Deputy Chair	Jane Taylor
Minutes	Marie Wardle

This 6 monthly national meeting was held in York and took a slightly different format this time because of needing to introduce the new members of the Executive Committee to the members. Yvonne Hemmings, who has now stepped down as IPT-UK Chair, opened the meeting by letting members know that she has now officially handed over the reins to Marie Wardle and Jane Taylor, who will be jointly taking over with immediate effect. This followed by the Executive members of the committee presenting the members with a progress report around some recent developments and goals. Below is a synopsis of each presentation on the day.

Marie Wardle and Jane Taylor

Marie and Jane welcomed the members who had travelled to York for the meeting and to introduce all of the new, and existing, executive committee members who would be presenting today. Marie and Jane's presentation focused around getting to grips with the new role and familiarizing themselves in their duties. Both felt that their energy needed to be invested currently in making the foundations of IPT more solid and having more admin resources to support the growing organisation, developing contracts for admin roles and looking at the current data protection policies. Jane and Marie discussed some of their goals for the next 6 months ahead: to develop a greater interpersonal network between members and the Executive Committee with ideas about how they can expand the CPD educational networks and have more face to face visits over the next 12 months.

Jamie Barksy

Jamie has taken over from Louise Deacon, who is the former Training Committee Chair. Jamie told us about his current working life that runs alongside this new role. He outlined what his role will entail, which included monitoring and enhancing quality of IPT practice, supervision and training to ensure the adherence to IPT-UK standards. He will also be monitoring and developing procedures for trainee assessments, assessing submissions for eligibility for training status, process complaints and promoting the use of IPT across the UK.

Liz Robinson and Catherine Edmunds

Liz, as longstanding treasurer, has now been joined by Catherine who has taken on the role as deputy treasurer. Liz presented the figures for the income that has been generated through annual member fees. We are seeing a steady increase in the number of new members and members renewing. We also see an additional new training institution that has been added, which now brings the total to 5 across the UK. Liz produced the figures to show how things had changed over the past 3 years, and again showing increases in income, expenditure and assets. This concluded that IPT-UK has resources that

are available to support expenditure for CPD events, and increasing the administration, which will further support the growth of IPT-UK.

Fiona Duffy

Fiona has a position on the executive committee as joint research lead with Paul Wilkinson. Unfortunately Paul was unable to attend today's meeting. Fiona gave us a brief introduction and introduced us to their roles and some of their research aims. These included developing the research section of the website, encouraging members to register research studies and evaluation projects on the website. Other aims included dissemination of published research mainly via the twitter feed and links to registered trials on the website. Their role will also include representing IPT-UK in supporting responses to clinical guidance or evidence reviews, e.g. NICE/SIGN. They wish to focus on building up and enhancing existing research networks to support multi-site collaboration within IPT-UK and with international colleagues.

Ros Law and Yvonne Hemmings

In their joint roles as IAPT Leads, presented some of their aims for the next six months and also some of the recent developments. This included creating an IAPT section on the IPT-UK website, creating a shared document to track workforce development across IAPT training providers, completing a survey of IAPT supervision, initiating accreditation process for CYP IAPT training courses with BPS and re-directing towards the BACP as a potential professional body. Ros explained about the clarification pre course training requirements for IAPT training and the new IAPT manual that is now on the website.

Finally

We were pleased to be able to launch the Webinar in York for this meeting. This was successful in that several members, who were unable to attend in person, were able to join us via the webinar that was set up via logging into the IPT-UK WebEx account. We very much hope that we will continue to see a steady increase in this new facility that will allow more members to connect with us across the UK.

Whilst the webinar was very successful for the business meeting in the morning, there were some technical issues during the afternoon teaching session and whilst they could see the training and slides, they were unable to hear. Members who had logged onto Webinar have now been contacted to apologise for this inconvenience. We have taken steps to try and get this missed training session accessible.

A decision was made that the usual second Friday in November for the next IPT-UK national meeting would be re-scheduled as it coincides with the IPT International Conference that is being held in Budapest. A revised date has yet to be agreed, but this would be available on the IPT-UK website in due course and members would be notified of the changes via email.